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PATENT APPLICATION  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Kaoru NARITA

Appln. No.: 09/421,273

Group Art Unit: 2823

Confirmation No.: 3894

Examiner: J. Garcia

Filed: October 20, 1999

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING PROTECTION CIRCUIT IMPLEMENTED BY  
BIPOLEAR TRANSISTOR FOR DISCHARGING STATIC CHARGE CURRENT AND  
PROCESS OF FABRICATION

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 6, 2002, please amend the above identified  
application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please enter the following amended claims:

1. (Twice Amended) A semiconductor device comprising:

a semiconductor substrate of one conductivity type;

shallow trench isolating regions having a first depth, and disposed in surface portions of said

semiconductor substrate and defining active areas therebetween;

a terminal connected to one of said active areas;

a first source of constant voltage connected to another of said active areas;

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